

Amendments to the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 9 through 18 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claims 1 through 8 and add Claims 19 through 31 to read, as follows.

1. **(Currently Amended)** A developer supply container detachably mountable to an image forming apparatus, said container comprising:

a rotatable container body for containing a accommodating the developer;  
a drive coupling connection member, provided substantially at a rotation center of said developer supply container, and being engageable ~~for driving engagement~~ with a driving member provided in the image forming apparatus, wherein said drive coupling connection member has a drive transmitting portion for transmitting a rotational force received from said driving member to said container body; and body;

an engaging portion, provided with said container body, and being engageable with said drive transmitting portion to receive the rotational force,

wherein said drive transmitting portion is disposed so as to be idly rotatable for a sufficient time after a start of rotation of said drive transmitting portion by the rotational force and before engagement with said engaging portion, the container body.

2. **(Currently Amended)** A container according to Claim 1, wherein said drive transmitting portion is engageable with said [[an]] engaging portion provided in said [[the]] container body.

3. **(Currently Amended)** A container according to Claim 2, wherein said drive transmitting portion is engageable with said engaging portion at a position ~~position~~ away from a rotational axis of said developer supply container, container body.

4. **(Currently Amended)** A container according to Claim 3, wherein a number of ~~said two of such~~ drive transmitting portion is two, said drive transmitting portions are provided at substantially opposed positions, and a number of said [[such]] engaging portion is two, said engaging portions are provided corresponding to said drive transmitting portions, respectively.

5. **(Currently Amended)** A container according to Claim 1, anyone of Claims 1-4, wherein said drive coupling connection member includes [[has]] a sealing portion for unsealably sealing a developer discharge opening provided with said container body. opening.

6. **(Currently Amended)** A container according to Claim 5, wherein said container body has a large diameter portion containing the developer, and portion; a small diameter portion containing the developer provided at one end of said [[the]] large diameter portion, and when said sealing portion member is at a position for unsealing the developer discharge opening, a part of said [[the]] drive transmitting portion is at the small diameter portion, and is engaged with said engaging portion provided in said small diameter portion. the container body.

7. **(Currently Amended)** A container according to Claim 6, wherein said drive transmitting portion means is provided extended along an inner surface of said small diameter portion. drive transmitting means.

8. **(Currently Amended)** A container according to Claim 5, wherein said sealing portion is movable between an opening [[a]] position where it opens the developer discharge opening and a closing position where it closes the developer discharge reseal the opening.

Claims 9 through 18. **(Canceled)**

19. **(New)** A container according to Claim 1, wherein said engaging portion is provided with a projecting portion projected from an inner surface of said container body.

20. **(New)** A container according to Claim 1, wherein said drive transmitting portion is provided at each of opposing positions.

21. **(New)** A container according to Claim 1, wherein at least one of said drive transmitting portions is provided in a range of 180°.

22. **(New)** A container according to Claim 1, wherein said drive coupling member is provided with a hook for hooking engagement with a hole provided in the driving member.

23. (New) A container according to Claim 5, wherein said drive transmitting portion is provided with a regulating portion for regulating a distance by which it is spaced away from said container body.

24. (New) A container according to Claim 8, wherein said drive coupling member is provided with a locking portion for locking engagement with the driving member, and wherein said sealing portion is movable between the opening position and the closing position when said locking portion is in locking engagement with the driving member.

25. (New) A developer supply container detachably mountable to an image forming apparatus, said container comprising:

- a rotatable container body for containing a developer;
- a drive coupling member, provided substantially at a rotation center of said developer supply container, and being engageable with a driving member provided in the image forming apparatus, wherein said drive coupling member includes a drive transmitting portion for transmitting a rotational force received from the driving member to said container body; and
- an engaging portion provided in said container body, engageable with said drive transmitting portion to receive the rotational force,

wherein said drive transmitting portion is engageable with said engaging portion at a position radially away from a rotational axis of said developer supply container.

26. (New) A container according to Claim 25, wherein said engaging portion is provided with a projecting portion projected from an inner surface of said container body.

27. (New) A container according to Claim 25, wherein said drive transmitting portion is provided at each of opposing positions.

28. (New) A container according to Claim 25, wherein at least one of said drive transmitting portions is provided in a range of 180°.

29. (New) A container according to Claim 25, wherein said drive coupling member has a sealing portion for unsealably sealing a developer discharge opening provided with said container body.

30. (New) A container according to Claim 29, wherein said sealing portion is movable between an opening position where the developer discharge opening is opened and a closing position where the developer discharge opening is closed.

31. (New) A developer supply container detachably mountable to an image forming apparatus, said container comprising:

    a rotatable container body for containing a developer, said container body is provided with a developer discharge opening;

    a sealing member, provided substantially at a rotation center of said developer supply container, for unsealably sealing the developer discharge opening, wherein said

sealing member includes a drive coupling portion engageable with a driving member provided in said image forming apparatus, and a drive transmitting portion for transmitting a rotational force received from the driving member to said container body when said sealing member is at an opening position where the developer discharge opening is opened; and

an engaging portion, provided in said container body, engageable with said drive transmitting portion,

wherein said drive transmitting portion is disposed so as to be idly rotatable for a sufficient time after start of rotation of said drive transmitting portion by the rotational force and before engagement with said engaging portion, and

wherein said sealing member is movable from the opening position to a resealing position where the developer discharge opening is resealed.